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**To:** Jen Cooper, State Ethics Director  
**From:** Alecia Nafziger, Associate Commissioner and CFO  
**Date:** May 22, 2019  
**Subject:** Gift Rule Waiver – Ken Sauer

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**Name of Recipient:** Dr. Ken Sauer

**Title of Recipient:** Senior Associate Commissioner and Chief Academic Officer

**Brief Description of Item Solicited, Accepted or Received and approximate value of item:**  
MHEC will pay for Dr. Sauer's travel expenses (airfare, hotel, meals not included) to the Adobe Creative Campus Collaboration on June 17-18, 2019

**Date of Receipt:** 06/17/19

**Name of Donor:** Midwestern Higher Education Compact

**Donor's Address:** 105 Fifth Avenue South, Suite 450; Minneapolis, MN 55401

**Nature of Business Relationship with Agency:** Indiana is a member of the Midwestern Higher Education Compact, a non-profit organization, legislatively created, whose purpose is to provide greater higher education opportunities and services in the Midwestern region. As a member of MHEC, Indiana pays dues to the organization and Dr. Sauer currently serves as the Chair of the Executive Committee.

**State why acceptance is in the public interest:** MHEC allows the State of Indiana to engage with other member states and regional compacts in higher education research and policy analysis. MHEC saves the State of Indiana money through its contract negotiations and facilitates groups from across the member states to advance initiatives such as the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement and Midwest Student Exchange Program. MHEC also facilitates committees in the areas of technology, military credit, open educational resources, and environmental sustainability.

Alecia Nafziger

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